



# State WMU Convention Soon Time

By Anne Washburn McWilliams  
Mrs. W. E. Hannah, state president, looked out over an orchard of springtime hats as she opened the first session of the 88th annual convention of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union. It was Tuesday morning, March 28.

The weather outside was as wonderful as the prospects inside for a great meeting. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, welcomed the women to

his church, First, Jackson. He said, "I'm like the little boy four days before Christmas who wrote his grandmother: 'I thank you, grandmother, for the beautiful bicycle I know you're going to give me.'"

The two-day meeting lived up to the prospects for it. The music, the speakers, the information, the inspiration, were unusually good.

Mrs. C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N.C., brought the devo-

tional message at each session. Mrs. Warren, the wife of a former SBC president, is the former Sybil Brame Townsend, the daughter of Dr. Webb Brame of Yazoo City. Following the theme of the convention — "As you go... Teach" — she spoke on the subjects, "As you go... Believe," "As you go... Pray," "As you go... Live," "As you go... Speak," and "As you go... Lo, I am with you." She said that there are quite a few "go's" and com-

mands to "go" in the Bible, and that every "go" is followed with a promise of God's presence with the "go-er."

Frank Stovall, associate professor of voice at Southwestern Seminary, was in charge of music. Before each of Mrs. Warren's messages, he sang a stanza of "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee."

Mrs. Clyde Bryan of Jackson was organist.

Mrs. Owen Cooper of Yazoo (Continued on page 5)



IN TOP PHOTO above are seen the new officers of the State WMU Convention who were elected at the convention last week. From left: Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, president; Mrs. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, vice-president; Mrs. D. P. Godman, Jackson, recording secretary; Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, assistant recording secretary; and Miss Edwina Robinson, executive sec.-treas. ex-officio. In photo just above, four present at the "men's" session Tuesday night are seen, from left: Dr. J. W. Carney, missionary to Pakistan; W. E. Hannah, Clinton, Miss Robinson and Claude Townsend, Florence, state convention president. At left Miss Elaine Dickson, associate in SBC WMU office, Birmingham, is seen speaking to the body.

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### 34% CHURCH ATTENDANCE IS REPORTED IN MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON (RNS)—One-half of the Protestant churches in Massachusetts could be closed Sundays and every churchgoer could still be guaranteed a seat at the 11 o'clock service, a leading churchman claimed here.

Dr. Eugene Carper, director of research for the Massachusetts Council of Churches, said that only 34 per cent of the state's Protestant church members attend Sunday services.

Addressing a conference of 100 pastors, Dr. Carper said: "There are too many buildings for the number of persons. Church builders are often over-optimistic with the result that churches are over-built."

### RECONSIDERATION IS ASKED IN SA MEET

WASHINGTON (BP)—An editorial in the Capital Baptist here expressed hope that plans for Southern Baptist involvement in an evangelistic crusade in South Africa would be reconsidered because the evangelists would not be allowed to preach on race relations.

Editor Jimmy Duncan of the Capital Baptist said the proposed crusade poses many problems, and could embarrass the entire denomination.

Duncan referred to news reports that the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's division of evangelism is enlisting about 100 Southern Baptist pastors to preach in the South African crusade, and that each participant must agree not to discuss the race question in his sermons.

The editorial, and the news reports, quoted Eual Lawson of the board's evangelism division as saying, "We do not feel that we should cut ourselves off from fellowship and contact with Baptists because of restrictions imposed by some government. We are going over there," Lawson said, "for one purpose — to preach the good news so people can be saved."

Duncan countered that he wondered if this activity by the division of evangelism "isn't going to hurt the total work of the board," at a time when so many divisions of

work in the Home Mission Board are making progress.

"It seems to us that it matters very little how we feel about racial matters if we compromise on this in going to South Africa," he wrote.

"We would hope that much more consideration would be given to the proposed crusade before the whole denomination is embarrassed by a few."

The editorial also listed what Duncan considered to be disturbing questions posed by the crusade.

"To you men who plan to go—what kind of a Gospel will you preach?" he asked. "It sure doesn't sound like New Testament Christianity when we are willing to accept such demands on what we will preach before we go."

"How can one possibly go preach the whole gospel when he agrees before he goes that he will not talk about the greatest evil in the land in which he is to preach?"

"Don't the words of Peter (Continued on Page 2)

## Inter-Agency Council Sets Goals, Makes Plans

NASHVILLE (BP)—The Inter-Agency Council of the Southern Council of the Southern Baptist Convention approved here denominational goals for 1967-1969, adopted a system of planning jointly the efforts of state Baptist conventions and SBC agencies, and elected officers during the council's annual meeting here.

The council, composed of representatives from each agency of the convention and several other SBC organizations, also authorized a study of the possibility of a computer service for all SBC agencies and approved bylaw changes which re-organized the council's coordinating committee.

Two-year goals for the denomination's programs for 1967-69 were approved, and will be recommended to the SBC Executive Committee during its next meeting.

The goals, along with a list of strategies to reach the goals, dealt with five areas: increase in individual and group maturity among Southern Baptists, increase in church membership, increase in church usefulness to the community and world, increase in gifts for the work of the churches, and increase in efficiency in church administration.

Specific numerical goals: The church membership goals, for example, called for 11,350,000 members by 1968, and 11.7 million members by 1969. Strategies for reaching the

membership goals included achieving a Sunday School enrollment of 8 million, starting 1,000 new churches or missions, and use of an on-going plan of evangelism by 15,800 churches.

The goal on church usefulness to the community and world suggested strategies of getting 15,000 churches to develop and use mission action

plans, including ministering to alcoholics, delinquents, imprisoned, migrants, language groups, drug addicts, unwed mothers, poor, sick, internationals, etc.

Financial goals included a goal of \$720 million in total gifts through Baptist churches for 1968, of which 10½ per cent goes to world missions (Continued on Page 2)

## Surgeon Visits Cuba; Operates On Caudill

ATLANTA (BP) — An Atlanta eye surgeon, recently returned from a secret trip to Cuba, may have saved the eyesight of 63-year-old Southern Baptist Missionary Herbert Caudill.

Dr. William S. Hagler, associate professor of ophthalmology at Emory University Clinic here, said he performed "retinal detachment" surgery on Caudill in a Havana eye hospital (March 15). It apparently was successful, he said.

Dr. Hagler, who was in Cuba for eight days, said he

volunteered to make the trip when it was learned that Caudill's condition required specialized treatment not available in Cuba. With approval of the U. S. Department of State, he was granted a visa through the Czechoslovakian Embassy.

Another surgeon also made the trip—Dr. Harry Taylor of Norfolk, Va., who just completed a six-month fellowship at Emory Clinic to learn Dr. Hagler's highly specialized retinal surgery techniques.

Caudill, a native of Clinchport, Va., who once was pastor of several churches in Georgia, is the missionary who was arrested on April 8, 1965, along with his missionary son-in-law David Fite and 40 Cuban Baptist pastors.

He and Fite were convicted of illegal currency exchange. Caudill was sentenced to 10 years in prison, Fite to six. Four months ago, Caudill was released "conditionally" to seek treatment in Havana. Apparently he will convalesce from the surgery in his home.

Dr. Hagler said he also saw the Clifton J. Fites of Waynesboro, Ga., the parents of 34-year-old David Fite, who had been a professor at the Baptist Seminary in Havana before his arrest. David's twin brother, Donald, also is an

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### Roberts Is Prof At Southwestern

FORT WORTH (BP) — The president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, C. A. Roberts of Tallahassee, Fla., has been elected head of the evangelism department at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

Roberts, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tallahassee for the past five years, will assume the teaching position effective May 1. Seminary President Robert E. Naylor said.

Calling his election a significant step, Naylor said Roberts "will come to the seminary out of the main-

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### South Americans Discuss Crusade

LIMA, Peru (BP)—A Baptist pastor from Bogota, Colombia, said here the proposed Crusade of the Americas is "the greatest evangelistic effort undertaken in Christendom in the 2,000-year history of the church."

Regis Ortiz, pastor of Central Baptist Church of Bogota, made the comment in the opening address to a regional planning conference for the evangelistic campaign at the Baptist encampment near Lima.

Ortiz said that he first thought the proposed crusade would be "just another evangelistic campaign," but that his views had changed.

He, and others during the three-day meeting here, expressed optimism that "God is in this campaign." Said one participant, "In a revolutionary epoch of history, in a revolutionary part of the world, we plan to start a rev-

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### EMPHASIS APRIL 16

## Cooperative Program

By Harold G. Sanders  
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Kentucky Baptist Convention  
Cooperative Program Sunday, April 16, 1967, provides a good opportunity for churches

to bring to bear upon the minds and hearts of their people the eternal purpose of God—to bring men into his divine family through Jesus Christ his only begotten Son. April

16 is a time for majoring on the Great Commission of our Lord in Sunday School, Training Union, and both worship services.

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### Graham Closes Crusade In Puerto Rico

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (BP)—In an Easter sunrise service here, Evangelist Billy Graham closed his Puerto Rico Campaign after preaching to 112,200 in eight days.

Graham called the response "tremendous," reporting a total of 4,681 decisions made by "inquirers" during the eight-day campaign.

About 13,500 attended the final Easter sunrise service. Following the Baptist evangelist's sermon, an estimated 600 persons came forward as "inquirers" to stand in front of the platform.

The sunrise service opened with 100 girls, dressed in white formals and carrying Easter lilies, marching onto the turf at Hiram Bithorn Stadium. They stood in the form of a cross as the early morning sun rose over clouds ringing the horizon and as the

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# Church Renewal Is Advocated

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among people who are educated, and the education of the American people will be the mark of the 70's."

He said that the 70's and 80's will be characterized by more scientific advances, and that the totally secular society is making scientific knowledge the supreme good. No church will be able to minister to people of the nuclear age if it refuses to come to grips with this, he added.

On education, Johnson predicted increased costs, more financial crises for Baptist schools, and expansion of federal aid to higher education.

He said Baptists have two alternatives for their schools—either to get out of the business of higher education except for the seminaries, or "find some way of using tax dollars in our schools without compromising or feeling that we are compromising, our religious freedom."

The trend is toward more federal government, not less. In world politics, the future is so complex it will require a mature church to deal with world problems realistically, he added.

Describing population changes, Johnson predicted that the majority of the population of the nation will be under 25 years of age by the 1970's; and that the population will shift to huge metropolitan areas, where problems of crime, slums, the inner city, will increase tremendously.

Secularism will increase, and the influence of the church in society will decrease during the 1970's and 1980's, he predicted.

To meet the challenge of the future, he offered seven suggestions, one of which included ten different points.

He recommended greater openness among Baptists, an emphasis on "converted church membership," a revival of church discipline, a re-examination of success symbols, emphasis on church renewal, a re-discovery of worship, and ten suggestions on church education efforts.

On the need for a greater openness, Johnson said Baptists often operate "with the blinds down and doors locked" against influence from the outside, and cited as an example a trend toward not inviting any speakers to the annual convention who are not Baptists.

"A clean breath of fresh air needs to blow through our convention and through our

local congregations," he said. "Without openness we are going to be more and more isolated from the real world where Christ must be preached if redemption is to take place."

Second, he urged Baptist churches to quit crowding their church rolls with "baptized unbelievers," and to do a better job of winning people to the Lord Jesus Christ, not just getting them baptized or on church rolls.

It is a scandal that so many churches have some disciplinary provisions in their church manuals or covenants, and rarely ever invoke these provisions, he said. "As someone has said, the church is the easiest club in town to join and the hardest to get out of."

He urged Baptist churches to quit using secular materialistic standards to judge their success, saying big memberships, big budgets, and big contributions do not necessarily mean success.

On church renewal, Johnson suggested the formation of small lay-led groups to meet for intensive Bible study. He urged pilot projects that encourage experimentation and innovation.

On worship, he said the worshiper in the pew is being deprived of the full meaning of the experience unless he is given encouragement to participate in praise and adoration, confession and contrition, and thanksgiving, petition and commitment.

On education programs at Baptist churches, he suggested: (1) elimination of assembly programs in Sunday School, (2) abandoning "cubby-hole" classrooms, (3) Bible teaching in small groups, mixing the sexes, using dialogue instead of lectures, (4) more time for teaching by ministers, (5) special training for parents, (6) a complete overhaul of the concept of Training Union, (7) re-scheduling of church meetings throughout the week, and (8) re-emphasis of the mission of the church.

"Mission is the church responding to its opportunities to give witness to Christ in the world," he said. "It is self-evident that the traditional ways of mission require re-appraisal."

"The traditional revival meeting is almost universally ineffective. So is the Sunday morning preaching service as a method of reaching the lost. Worship services on Sunday may be the means of collect-

ing and inducting those who have been won, but such services rarely are the occasion for winning them."

Finally, he urged the church to face difficult problems, and social issues. "Too long we have avoided the crucial issues which might cause disagreement. Our emphasis has been on blandness and inoffensiveness."

"We cannot go along much further without having come to grips with our responsibilities in the racial crisis. We cannot ignore the moral revolution in our day. We need... a compassionate and intelligent ministry to those with special problems such as alcoholism, delinquency, job displacement, divorce or other family stress."

Commenting on the decline of young people responding to the ministry, Johnson said that unless something is done quickly to reverse the downward trend, the church of the 70's and 80's will be in desperate plight and in greater peril of leaderless churches than most realize.

"It is likely that the appearance of irrelevance, triviality, commitment to the past and lack of excitement about the future keep young people away from the church," he said. "Show them that we care and that we are willing to risk something dangerous and perhaps unpopular, and they will once more respond with their lives."

## Cooperative Program Day

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Cooperative Program Sunday provides another time for Sunday School and Training Union leaders to inform people of God's will in proclaiming the Gospel. Also, it provides time for pastors to tell the people how we carry out the Great Commission.

First, by faithful preaching and teaching of God's Word in each Sunday School and Training Union, and by carefully informing people on the nature and purpose of Cooperative Program work.

## 2 FROM STATE ON PROGRAM AT MIAMI MEET

Two Mississippians will appear on the program of the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Religious Education Association in Miami Beach May 29 and 30. The meetings will be held in the Shelborne Hotel, which is located near the Municipal Auditorium where the sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention will be held.

Kermit King, Training Union Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will report on the latest developments in the ministry to senior adults in the churches in the Convention. Alton Yarbrough, Minister of Education of Calvary Church, Jackson, will discuss the latest developments of special education to children.

More than three hundred Southern Baptist educational workers are expected.

Second, by doing missionary work in cooperation with other members of the church and with other Baptist churches. This implies faithful stewardship—the bringing of the tithes and offerings to God's House; and the fair use of those monies of God (1) at home and (2) abroad. The best method Southern Baptists have found for this cooperative mission work is the Cooperative Program.

Cooperative Program Sunday provides another time to inspire God's people to be a part of His redemptive work in the earth. Every born-again Baptist is committed to Christ, to His church and through His church to a world witness of His saving grace. This makes necessary cooperative effort by the whole body of Christ. The task is tremendous. It is urgent. It is ours!

## A Time to Involve

Cooperative Program Sunday provides an appropriate time to involve God's people in the world mission of His Son. Sunday School and Training Union organizations stand ready to help. God has commanded us to share the Gospel with the world. Jesus, on His last day on earth, commanded us to preach the gospel to the whole creation. He told us that obedience would involve us in a vital, intimate union with Himself in love and purpose.

No Baptist, no Baptist church, no institution can carry the saving message of Jesus to the whole world alone. How, then, can Baptists do it?

We believe that the Cooperative Program is our yet known best method of pooling our purposes, our Lord's tithes, our prayers, and our energies in a great missionary venture which touches most of the world.

The pastor should encourage his church to (1) bring all "the tithes into the storehouse" to lay God's holy mission money on "the table of the church; (2) to give an ever-increasing portion of the total tithes of the people to world missions through the Cooperative Program; and (3) to use the church organizations to inform the people about the Cooperative Program on April 16.

## A Time to Warn

Faithful pastors, Sunday School workers, and Training Union leaders, on Cooperative Program Sunday, have an apt time again to warn of selfishness, covetousness, lack of evangelism zeal at home, and lack of sharing God's message with the world. This is no option—this is necessity. "Duty demands it."

## Reconsideration

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have something to say to us at this point? The apostles had something of the same problem and Peter's answer was, "We must obey God rather than men."

How will this agreement affect the work of our missionaries in other parts of the world, and especially in Africa?

How does it look when we agree to go to proclaim a gospel that insists that all men are equal, in a land where the social order is so structured that men are not equal and we agree not to say anything about it?

What does this proposed crusade do to our relations



## 2300 AT MUSIC FESTIVAL

TWENTY-THREE HUNDRED were present for the State Baptist Junior Choir Festival held Saturday in the Mississippi Coliseum. Top photo pictures most of crowd. Center picture shows John Bewley, minister of music of Broadmoor Church, Jackson, showing one of his magic tricks to two Natchez boys as two leaders look on. From left: Mr. Bewley; Mike Carter; Dan C. Hall, state music secretary; Bobby Bennett and Bill F. Leach, of Baptist Sunday School Board music department, guest director.

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## Church Union Out?

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1980, or any other particular date," Baptists can think over what it would mean to "covenant together" and any terms under which "it might become possible for Baptists."

G. R. Beasley-Murray, principal of Spurgeon's college, was chairman of the advisory committee on church relations, which drafted the report.

"For British Baptists to weaken their links with either the British Council of Churches or the World Council of Churches, would be a serious loss to themselves, and would make it more difficult for Baptists to present their distinctive witness and heritage to others," the report contended.

The report finds evidence of more than one form of Church order in the New Testament. It is "wrong use of Scripture" to claim that only one valid structure was divinely intended.

Even though more "ecumenical education for the ministry" is looked on favorably, the report expressed doubt that it would be right or possible to create "an ecumenical college" immediately. "There is an undeniable spiritual unity binding together all believers to our Lord Jesus Christ and to one another," the report stated. This needs a more visible expression, in clearer and less mistakable terms than at present, it continued. (EBPS)

## South Americans Discuss Crusade

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olution—a revolution for Christ, because Christ is our only hope."

Representatives attended the regional meeting from Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, and Bolivia. Each presented progress reports on efforts in their countries, shared ideas, and planned for future phases of the crusade in their region.

The Crusade of the Americas is an evangelistic campaign jointly sponsored by Baptist bodies in numerous countries in South, Central and North America. Theme for the campaign, slated in 1969, is "Christ—the Only Hope."

"The general tone of the meeting here was one of optimism," reported Southern

Baptist Missionary William E. Matheny of Arequipa, Peru. "There was no hesitation however in pointing out possible snares, and a healthy mixture of realism and enthusiasm prevailed."

Matheny said all were encouraged by reports on recent evangelistic efforts in Brazil and Venezuela, where the crusade got headline coverage in major newspapers of the nation and nationwide television exposure.

The reports indicated numerous decisions for Christ among the professional classes, with an impact on the upper levels of society in these two countries as well as among the masses. The crusades will be designed to reach every socio-economic strata, Matheny reported.

## Meredith Increases Student Fees

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—A \$300 increase per year in room, board and tuition fees has been authorized by the executive committee of the Meredith College (Baptist) board of trustees here.

The \$300 increase will bring the total charge per student for one term to \$1,800, the school's business manager said.

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audience sang "He Lives." During the sermon, Graham said that the good news of today is that Christ is alive. "We are going to live forever, with him, if we put our faith in Christ."

Graham had not held an evangelistic campaign in Puerto Rico since 1958, when he preached to 60,000 people in four nights.

He asked the Christians of Puerto Rico to pray for his next campaign, slated in Winnipeg, Canada, in May. He also has meetings scheduled in London, Kansas, and Tokyo during 1967.

## Roberts Is

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stream of Southern Baptist life with a background in youth and student evangelism and from a place of honor among his fellow ministers."

Roberts was pastor of the First Baptist Church, Altus, Okla., from 1958-62 before going to the 5,000-member church in Tallahassee.

A native of Waco, Tex., he is a graduate of Baylor University (Baptist) in Waco, and Southwestern Seminary, receiving the doctor of theology degree in 1960. On graduation from the seminary, he received the Albert Venting Jr. Award given to the outstanding graduate.

Roberts in 1963 was named Tallahassee's Man of the Year, and in 1964 was one of Florida's five Outstanding Young Men.

He was elected president of the SBC Pastors' Conference during the 1966 meeting in Detroit.

Roberts has traveled and lectured in Europe, the Middle East, Russia, South America and the Orient. He is the author of five books and numerous articles for Southern Baptist publications.

Currently, Roberts is chaplain for the Florida House of Representatives, and for the Florida State University football team.

## Inter-Agency

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through the Cooperative Program; and a 1969 goal of \$750 million total gifts of which 11 per cent goes to the Cooperative Program.

The number one goal area, however, was not numerical but dealt with improving the quality of church members. It called for assisting Baptist churches to develop members characterized by four different understandings, eight different attitudes, and six different skills. All dealt with developing more mature church members with a deeper and more practical faith.

Also approved by the council was a program of Cooperative Promotion Planning to be used by SBC and state Baptist workers to cooperate in promoting selected major SBC emphases and goals to assist Baptist churches.

The Cooperative Promotion Planning approach is a simplified and telecopied version of what was formerly called State Strategy. Nine states in the SBC have indicated interest in the plan—Kentucky, Arkansas, Oklahoma, North Carolina, Ohio, Maryland, District of Columbia, Louisiana, and Kansas.

In other action, the council elected new officers, appointed several sub-committees, and approved changes in its bylaws which re-organized the council's coordinating committee.

Elected chairman of the council was Merrill D. Moore, executive Secretary of the SBC Stewardship Commission here. Other officers are Mrs. Marie Mathis of the Woman's Missionary Union staff, Birmingham, as vice chairman; and Marvin Crowe of the SBC Sunday School Board here as secretary.

The council approved the report of its administrative committee, composed of the heads of each SBC agency, which named members to the council's agenda committee, calendar of activities committee, and coordinating committee. Arthur Rutledge of the SBC Home Mission Board was elected the new chairman of the administrative committee.

## Surgeon Visits Cuba

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associate professor of ophthalmology at Emory University Clinic.

The Clifton Fites left the U. S. on Feb. 25 to try to see their son and plead with Cuban officials for his release.

Dr. Hagler said Margaret Fite, David's wife, and the Clifton Fites were allowed to see David each week at La Cabana Fortress, where he was moved from the Isle of Pines Prison "apparently at the request of the Fites."

David Fite is a native of Fort Worth, and attended Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

Dr. Hagler said Fite is working in a rock quarry now

and is "delighted, according to Margaret, because he is outside working. She said he looks good, and is sun-burned."

He said the Fites reported they were treated politely and had experienced no trouble in getting to see government officials.

"Everything went smoothly on the operation," Dr. Hagler said. "But it was a harrowing experience just as it is in any strange hospital."

He said he and Dr. Taylor left about \$2,000 worth of drugs and instruments with the head of the Ramon Pando Ferrer Eye Hospital "as a gesture of thanks for their help, cooperation, and friendship."

Dr. Hagler said he and Dr. Taylor were treated cordially and were free to sightsee in Havana and the countryside.

They entered Cuba through Spain and spent two days in Madrid on the return trip.

Dr. Hagler operated on Caudill in Atlanta in 1964 in an attempt to save the sight in his other eye. Caudill is blind in that eye now, however.

Caudill was director of Baptist work in Cuba before his arrest. He has been a missionary there for 37 years. His wife and daughter, Mrs. David Fite, and the Fite's three young sons, remain in Cuba.



DR. WILLIAM S. HAGLER, (Right) the Episcopalian eye surgeon from Atlanta who made a secret trip to Cuba to operate on Southern Baptist Missionary Herbert Caudill, reported that Caudill's eyesight apparently was saved by the operation and that he and Mrs. Caudill (above) were "in good spirits." Caudill, 63, apparently will be allowed to convalesce at home, Dr. Hagler said. The American surgeon volunteered to make the trip when it was revealed that the advance surgery techniques were not available in Cuba. He also saw the Clifton J. Fites in Havana, the Georgia parents of Caudill's imprisoned son-in-law, David Fite. They reported Fite was healthy and that they were allowed to plead for their son's freedom before Cuban officials. (BP Photos)





# The Co-Operative Baptist Convention?

By Gerald Martin  
Memphis, Tennessee

A missionary suggested that the name of our Southern Baptist Convention be changed to the Co-operative Baptist Convention. This writer has not seen the necessity of a change in name. However, if it comes, the term "co-operative" defines us as well as any available word. Without binding obligations from the inside or ecumenical ties from the outside we are co-operating to win this lost world to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Each Baptist body is autonomous! It is a self-governing body. Each individual church co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention is doing this by choice. They are not owned by nor obligated to the Convention itself. The Southern Baptist Convention is composed of messengers from these co-operating churches. However, the actions of the Southern Baptist Convention or any of her agencies has no binding influence on these churches. What a testimony to the world! The largest group of churches in the world co-operating for a single purpose, without an hierarchy in control. Each individual church seeking the will of God, exalting Christ, and following the Holy Spirit, separately, yet co-operating to fulfill Matthew 28:19, 20—The Great Commission.

The association of Baptist

churches in my country have invested their money in land and buildings; in addition, they have prayed and labored in order to give birth to other New Testament churches within our area. Yet, there are no legal ties binding these new churches to our association. They participate with us in local and worldwide endeavors through a spirit of co-operation.

The Home Mission Board of our Southern Baptist Convention has made available money to buy land and build church buildings, but no one at the Home Mission Board thinks of "buying churches." These churches may owe money to our Home Mission Board but our Board has no control on the church, just a deed to the property. These are autonomous New Testament churches. They co-operate with our Convention out of desire and not obligation.

The Foreign Mission Board of our Southern Baptist Convention has invested the money provided by the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention in land and buildings throughout the world. The results are thrilling: New Testament churches have come into being, state conventions have been formed, and national conventions with functions similar to our Southern Baptist Convention have developed. Many millions of Southern Baptist dollars, much prayer and hundreds of

lives have been and is annually being invested in these conventions and churches. Yet, those of us who serve on the Foreign Mission Board do not feel any degree of possessiveness over these churches and conventions. These are autonomous Baptist bodies with no legal obligations to the Foreign Mission Board or the Southern Baptist Convention. They are not bound to, obligated to answer to, or, be directed by the Southern Baptist Convention or any of her agencies any more than one of the churches, associations, or state conventions co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention is bound or obligated to our Convention. They walk with us in a spirit of co-operation out of their own volition for a Christian witness to the entire world.

Some people like a system with an hierarchy at the top controlling the possessions and actions of the entire body. Personally, I rejoice and praise God for the privilege and freedom of choice! All my Christian life I have been a co-operating Southern Baptist. All my pastoral ministry I have been a co-operating Southern Baptist. But I have been, and will be, out of individual choice. Even though Southern Baptists paid for much of my theological education, they have not bound me to serve in this Convention. It is out of a personal desire, and a deep con-

viction that we are following the Lord's plan and pattern as laid out in the New Testament that I continue to exercise my privilege of choice to be a Southern Baptist.

Whether the name of our God honored and God honoring Convention is changed or not we are co-operative Baptists. The name Southern Baptist identifies us, but does not localize us. We are Baptists co-operating with other Baptists throughout the world to tell them of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour!

## DR. BRYAN IN EUROPE

Dr. Clyde C. Bryan left on April 1 for Europe where he will participate in an inaugural flight on invitation of Swissair. During the two weeks he will visit Rome and southern Italy, Switzerland, and Portugal. As operator of Bryan Tours, Dr. Bryan will meet with officials of the Bernese Tourist Bureau relative to reservations for many groups which his organization will handle in attending the 7th Baptist World Youth Conference which meets in July of 1968.

Many youth groups will attend the conference from Mississippi, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama, and Louisiana with arrangements made by Dr. Bryan. The last Baptist World Youth Conference met in Beirut, Lebanon in 1963.

Dr. Bryan will also finalize many travel details for several tour groups from Mississippi and other states which will journey to Europe and the Holy Land, and Around The World during 1967.

After serving 17 years as pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg, Dr. Bryan moved to Jackson where he is an independent consultant to architects relative to church and institutional buildings. He is currently retained by the Mississippi Convention Board relative to the new Baptist Building, and also serving as consultant for churches in Mississippi and other states. The Bryans live at Apartment 251, Camelot Apartments, Robinson Road, in Jackson.

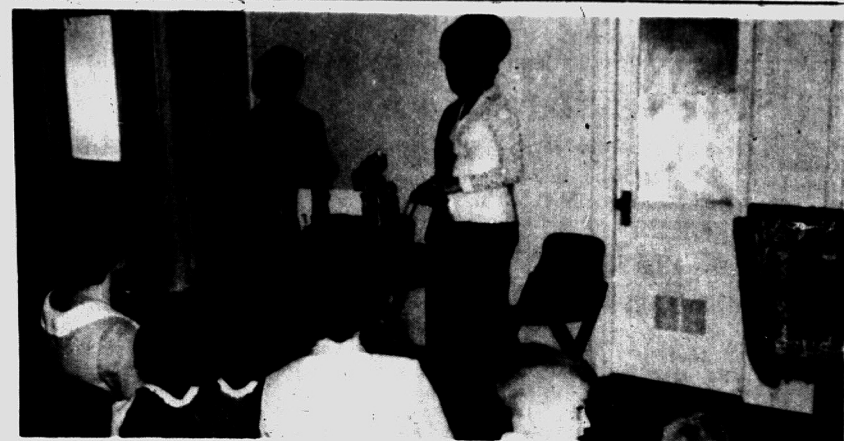
Committee of the Convention Board; Member of the Board of Trustees of William Carey College for nine years.

In 1962, William Carey College conferred the Doctor of Divinity Degree. He received his college and seminary training at Howard College and Southern Seminary. Mrs. McKibbens is the former Betty Manly Riddle. They have two sons, Benny M., who coaches football and teaches in the Jackson City School System, and Tom, assistant pastor of North Oxford Church, and tackle on the Ole Miss Football team.

Dr. McKibbens states that his plans for the future are indefinite. It is his intention to remain in Laurel until his successor has been named. He further states that he is not quitting the ministry which has extended over a period of thirty-two years, but will seek to be a good witness for Christ wherever he is.

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Sunbeams from the Jackson area "met the missionaries" at Calvary Church Tuesday afternoon. Miss Mary Alice Ditsworth, Missionary to Indonesia, (right), speaks to one group. Miss Waudine Storey, Sunbeam director, is at left.

## Car Crash Kills 2 Missionaries

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (BP) Two Baptist missionaries and seven members of their families were killed in a grinding auto crash that claimed a total of 10 lives and injured six others.

It reportedly was the worst traffic accident in the city's history.

Killed were two students at the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute, both Spanish missionaries with the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

The victims were identified by H. B. Ramsour, president of the Bible Institute here.

They were Juan Pedro de la Cruz, 37, a student at the Institute and Spanish missionary with the Home Mission Board; his wife Bertha, about 30, and their two sons, Peter, 15, and Sammy, 9.

Also killed were Pablo Jimenez, 33, another Institute student and Spanish missionary; his wife, Mrs. Jimenez, 33, and their children Paul, Jr., 13, Earnest, 11, and Naomi, 12.

Listed in critical and serious condition were: Amelita de la Cruz, 16; Yolanda Jimenez, 9; Ernestina de la Cruz, 12; Alex de la Cruz, 10.

Undergoing treatment for minor injuries were Richard de la Cruz, 11; and Becky de la Cruz, 7.

Also killed was Genovio A. Villarreal, about 28, of San Antonio. The two families, 15 persons in all, collided with an auto driven by Villarreal, who was alone.

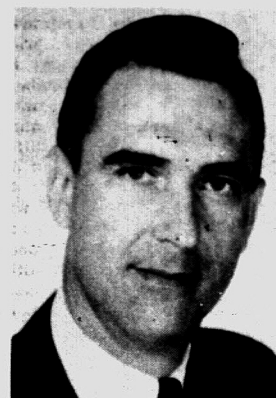
Police said Villarreal's car was traveling along the 8200 block of US Highway 81 South about 12:14 A.M., a stretch of highway which has no median strip. Police said the car collided with the station wagon carrying the 15 members of the two families.

Witnesses said the dead and injured in the wreckage of the vehicles were strewn for yards along the busy highway, and in the following confusion police were not notified of the crash until almost 20 minutes after it occurred.

Rome is known as "The City of the Seven Hills," and "The Eternal City." It was said that Agrippa, during the reign of Augustus, converted it "from a city of brick huts to one of marble palaces."



SEVERAL LEADERS FROM THE HOME MISSION BOARD met on March 29 with leaders from the State Convention Board to confer on the cooperative work supported by the two boards. Standing, from left: Rev. W. R. Grigg, associate in Department of Work with National Baptists, HMB; Dr. Foy Rogers, secretary Cooperative Missions Department; Dr. L. D. Wood, assistant secretary Department of Language Missions, HMB; Dr. Wm. F. Davis, secretary Department of Work with Negroes; A. L. Nelson, business manager. Seated: Dr. Hugo Culpepper, director Division of Missions, HMB; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer; Dr. Wilson Brumley, secretary Department of Rural-Urban Missions, HMB.



Rev. James M. Metts, Jr.

## 1st, Florence Welcomes Pastor

First Church, Florence, will welcome their new pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. James M. Metts, Jr., with a reception in their honor, in the Fellowship Hall of the church from 3 to 4:30 p. m. April 9. The public is invited.

Mr. Metts began his duties at Florence, April 2. For the past five years he has served as pastor of First Church, Wiggins. During his ministry in Wiggins more than \$40,000 indebtedness, was paid on the auditorium and the note was burned. A new educational building was built and furnished at a cost of approximately \$100,000.00. Additional property was purchased and paid for. Five acres of land were given to the church, for a campsite, by Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Batson. A new sixty-passenger bus was purchased. Through the Forward Program of Church Finance the budget was doubled. The membership of the church grew numerically as well as spiritually during his ministry there.

Prior to serving in Wiggins, he was pastor of Calvary

## New Church Established In Ocean Springs

Realizing the need for a place of worship created by the influx of people into the city of Ocean Springs, a new church is being constituted. This church will be known as the Bellehaven Church and is located one mile north of highway 90 on the Vancleave cutoff.

The constitution ceremony was held on Sunday the 26th of March. Rev. W. G. Cummings is the pastor.

Bellehaven was originally established as a mission of the Bellefontaine Church of Ocean Springs, in 1964. The present building was occupied in August 1966, providing a place of worship for persons living between Vancleave and Ocean Springs.

In observance of the constitution, a spring revival was held starting with the evening service on that day and continuing through the 2nd of April. Evangelistic services were conducted by Rev. Ford Parker and song services by Jack Senseny.

Church, West Point, and Fair River Church, Lincoln County. He has also served as assistant pastor, First Church, Centerville, and as assistant to the pastor of First Church, Durant.

Mr. Metts is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the B.D. degree from New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. Metts is the former Martha Allrich of Winona. They are the parents of two children, Kathy, twelve and Ted, eight.



Dr. T. R. McKibbens

## Laurel, First Pastor Retires

Dr. Thomas R. McKibbens, in his eighteenth year as pastor of Laurel, First Church, has tendered his resignation effective April 1. A health problem with which he has struggled for the past eighteen months necessitated his decision to retire from the pastorate. The advice of his physicians indicate that his condition is more likely to improve with rest and medication.

Upon accepting the Laurel pastorate, Dr. McKibbens immediately led the church in an extensive building program which is now free of debt and a sizable amount set aside for the completion of a new sanctuary in the near future. Active in all phases of denominational life, he has served on Boards and committees of the Southern Baptist Convention and the state. Among the positions in which he has served in Mississippi Baptist life are Vice President of the State Convention; President of the State Convention Board for three years; Chairman of the Executive

## JEWISH FELLOWSHIP WEEK TO BE OBSERVED APRIL 9-14

Jewish Fellowship Week will be observed throughout the Southern Baptist Convention April 9-14.

More than 100 Southern Baptist churches are expected to participate in the week, Home Mission Board's Jewish work director reported. "This is one of the major attempts for Southern Baptists to relate to Jewish people," William B. Mitchell of Atlanta said.

Dr. Foy Rogers, secretary of the Cooperative Missions Department, responsible for the promotion of the week in the state, said that these people can and are being reached by individual Baptists and he suggested the following things that church members can do:

Pray that Jewish people will accept Jesus Christ as the true Messiah and as their personal Saviour.

Visit in the homes of Jewish neighbors, Jewish friends in business, and Jewish friends when they are ill.

Invite Jewish friends to every service of your church, including Sunday school, VBS, Training Union, choir, preaching, WMU, GA, YWA, Brotherhood, and RA.

## Golden Gate, Elects Professors, Raises Salaries

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP) — Trustees of Golden Gate Seminary meeting here elected a new professor, named a dean of students, adopted a 1967-68 budget, and voted to raise staff and faculty salaries.

New budget for the seminary was set at \$661,925, according to Trustee Chairman Ernest P. Guy of Tiburon, Calif.

## WHAT IS A WILL?

A will is a wish—sealed in words.  
A will is your last word—unspoken, yet irrevocable.  
A will is your philosophy of life—made public forever.  
A will is a cameo of your character—internal and external.  
A will is your living faith—echoing through the years.  
A will is a perpetual participation in things you love—and the state assumes responsibility for its implementation.  
A will is your absentee ballot—a vote for things eternal.  
A will is your legal resurrection—you "being dead yet speaketh."

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### Is The Sunday School Dying?

There are predictions that the Sunday school is on its way out as an important factor in church life. Liberal theologians, especially, appear to be attempting to sound the death knell of the Sunday morning educational service of the churches. One of them called it "the most wasted hour of the week." Just recently Bishop James Pike, speaking in Dallas, called the Sunday school "dangerous" and said "There is grave doubt that any Sunday school anywhere is of any benefit." He made it clear that he was opposed to Sunday schools that teach the Bible.

While almost 100% of Southern Baptists and other conservatives would utterly disagree with Pike and other liberals on the value of the Sunday school, and even more strongly disagree on the content of its curriculum, they still are concerned about its program, and about how to make it even more effective in modern church life. A short time ago the Sunday School Times (now Sunday Times) suggested editorially the need for a national conference on the Sunday school. Southern Baptists have expressed concern, too, especially since the tremendous Sunday school growth of the past no longer is being experienced. It is evident that Sunday schools are undergoing change, and that churches and denominations must give careful attention to them if they are to continue to effectively serve the churches and the Lord.

Southern Baptists have used the Sunday school more than have many of the major denominations. For

example, they have made it a school for all ages, and not simply a children's service. Many other denominations also have done this but few have given as much emphasis to the program, or have had the great growth in enrollment which Southern Baptist churches have experienced. Perhaps the basic reason for this is that they have kept the Sunday School Bible centered, Christ centered, people centered and church centered.

For their Sunday school work Southern Baptists have erected buildings, adopted successful plans, trained workers, and have provided the very best possible curriculum material. The school has been used to reach people for Bible study, and to lead them to a personal experience of salvation through faith in Christ. It also has brought those won people into the fellowship of the church and into Christian living and witness.

The result has been that the Sunday school has helped build strong churches. No single force has contributed as largely to Southern Baptist growth in the past half century. Because of this our churches and denomination cannot and must not allow the Sunday school to die, or to de-emphasize it in their plans and program.

The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board provides plans, curriculum materials, and other materials for use of the churches in Sunday school work. Much of the promotion is done through the Sunday school departments of the state conventions. Here in Mississippi that department is seeking diligently to assist and guide the churches in better, more effective Bible teaching programs.

One of the forces used in this promotion is the annual Bible Teaching Conference, which used to be called the Sunday School Convention. This conference is to be held in Jackson next week.

There are more than 1800 Baptist churches in the state. Every church should have representatives at this meeting. Inspirational messages, Bible teaching plan, and conferences on all phases of Sunday school

work will be held. Sending a carload of workers to this meeting could bring a new day in the Sunday school in any church.

The Sunday school cannot, must not be allowed to die or even weaken in Southern Baptist churches. Meetings like this one can help give it the new strength it needs.

### A Salute To The WMU

The Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union has been serving the Baptists of Mississippi for nearly 90 years. The first WMU Central Committee was appointed in 1878.

No organization in the churches or in the denomination has done as much for promotion of missions and stewardship, as well as other phases of the church program, as has the WMU.

The enlistment of women in regular study and prayer for missions, the promotion of weeks of prayer and special offerings for mission causes, the programs for young people, and the general mission and stewardship promotion, provide the major emphasis on missions in many churches, and a basic part of the emphasis in almost all of the churches. Without the work of the WMU the whole mission cause would greatly suffer.

Last week the Mississippi WMU held its annual convention in Jackson. An outstanding program was provided, including many missionary speakers, and hundreds of women from all over the state attended. There also were many young people attending for special sessions planned for them.

The Baptist Record salutes the WMU for the tremendous ministry it is rendering. We would urge every church not now providing the WMU work for its ladies to begin to do so at once. The whole church will be blessed by its work.



Subjects used by Dr. W. A. Criswell in series of downtown pre-Easter services.

The Atheist and the Reality of Christ

The Liberal and the Deity of Christ

The Communist and the Living Church: The Materialist and the End of the World.

The Sinner and the Sacrifice on the Cross.

—in The Christian Century, January 4, an article about "Black Power and the American Christ," a bold defense of "black power" that will shock the most seasoned reader. If these words, written by Vincent Harding are a preview of what is before us in racial strife, may the Lord have mercy upon us all. Here are two paragraphs: "To this the angry children of Malcolm X shout fiercely: 'To hell with you and your Christ! If you cannot live where we live, if your children cannot grow where we grow, if you cannot suffer what we suffer, if you cannot learn what we learn, we have no use for you or your cringing Christ. If we must come to where you are to find quality and life, then this nation is no good and integration is irrelevant.'" Then Black Power leaders turn to the people of the ghettos. "Let us together find our own dignity and our own power, so that one day we may stand and face even those who have rejected us, no longer begging to be accepted into their dying world, but showing them a world transformed, a world where we have shaped our own destiny. We shall build communities of our own, where men are truly brothers and goods are really shared. The American Christ is a Christ of separation and selfishness and relentless competition for an empty hole. We want no part of him."

When the Central Baptist Church, the old State Street Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Miss., was torn down recently, a galvanized sheet iron box was discovered under the rubble. Among the items found in it, which had been placed there in 1885, was a new Bible published by the American Bible Society in 1863.

### Calandar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

April 10—Hollis Bryant, Jones County supt. of missions; Alvin R. Smith, Zion association supt. of missions.

April 11—J. M. Coleman, Mississippi College faculty; Johnell Cooley, Baptist Book Store.

April 12—Lawrence Jones staff, Children's Village; Mrs. Iva Clotile Jones, staff, Children's Village.

April 13—J. B. Costilow, Baptist student director; Clarke College; Herbert Valentine, business manager, Clarke College.

April 14—Bill Duncan, Baptist Building; W. P. Davis, Baptist Building.

April 15—Mrs. Aurelia Hollis, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Grace Hunter, faculty, William Carey College.

April 16—Mrs. Inez Driskell, maternal and child health instructor, Gilroy School of Nursing; Paul Pryor, administrator, Baptist Hospital.

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April 28—Mrs. Inez Driskell, maternal and child health instructor, Gilroy School of Nursing; Paul Pryor, administrator, Baptist Hospital.

## Baptist Forum

### Objects To BMC Action

(This letter was sent to all Blue Mountain College Trustees.)

To The Trustees Of Blue Mountain College:

There are two basic principles that the Trustees of Blue Mountain College cast aside that as far as I'm concerned, took the school out of the Christian Education field. Because of this I feel very firmly that we cannot spend mission money to carry on a program that is attempted in this way.

First, the school now looks to the Great White Father in Washington for support instead of to God in faith that God will supply our every need. "Render to Caesar that which belongs to Caesar" does not mean Socialism. It is followed by "Render to God that which belongs to God". Blue Mountain was founded on faith in God at a time when the Government was forcing many unwanted plans upon Christian people. The action of the Trustees in my opinion has broken the faith of those who founded the school and those who carried on the work all these years. Many sacrifices have been made in order that this school could live. Now the intent of these sacrifices has been reversed which completely breaks faith with those who made the sacrifices.

Second, I do not believe in mixing the races. God made the white man white and the black man black. He does not tell us why He did it and I do not believe we have any right to try to change it. If God wants to change these things He will do it and until He does I am going to leave things as they are. I think it is totally unchristian to mix the races in Blue Mountain College. If you wanted a mixed school, why didn't you found one for yourself and not steal one founded and financed for another purpose?

It is obvious that under the present conditions I could never be connected with the College in any capacity.

As ever,  
Bob Leavell  
First Baptist Church  
Grenada

### Journalism Prof Leaves for Hong Kong College

WACO, Tex. (BP) — A former Peace Corps volunteer in Africa is en route from Texas for Hong Kong where he will be the first journalism teacher at Hong Kong Baptist College.

Ray Hobener, a Baylor University graduate, will be teaching a course in journalism and two English classes at the Hong Kong school.

### LADDER TO THE UNDERSTANDING OF GOD



"TO HIM THAT RIDETH UPON THE HEAVENS OF HEAVENS, WHICH WERE OF OLD; LO, HE DOETH SEND OUT HIS VOICE, AND THAT A MIGHTY VOICE" — ISA 66:33

## Newest In Books

AND NONE WOULD BELIEVE IT by M. Basilea Schlink (Zondervan, 115 pp., paper, \$1.95)

A startling discussion of the chilling details of the moral decay of the present hour, and the only possible answer to it. God's people "working together with Him." The last chapter shows how that present conditions reveal that these are the "last times" even though the world does not believe it. The author is a German Lutheran woman, the founder of a deaconess order the Order of the Sisters of Mary.

THE SKY IS RED by Geoffrey T. Bull (Moody, 254 pp., \$3.95)

This is another book about a former missionary's full-scale battle with Communism during his prison days in China. He says that while he was in prison "the barest fist of militant atheism" was brandished in his face. He says that the way to triumph over the Communist atheist is "a return to the simple faith and vital fellowship of the New Testament church."

PIONEERS IN MISSION EDITED BY R. Pierce Beaver (Eerdmans, 286 pp., \$6.95)

A source book on "the rise of American missions to the heathen," this is a rather unusual volume in that it carries early missionary ordination sermons, charges, and instructions. For instance, there is included the ordination sermon of Stephen Parker, in

1733; the ordination sermon of David Brainerd in 1744; the commissioning of Joseph Bullen in 1799; the ordination of Hall, Judson, Newell, Nott, and Rice on February 6, 1812, and "Farewell to the Wives," February 5, 1812. These documents, first printed as tracts, make up the bulk of promotional missionary literature in Great Britain until 1800, and in America through the 1830's.

ALTERNATES TO CHRISTIAN BELIEF by Leslie Paul (Doubleday, 227 pp., \$4.95)

A critical survey of the contemporary search for meaning. A scholarly study of the various philosophies being offered as substitutes for the Christian faith. The author also discusses the criticism and rejection of the basic truths of the Christian faith by those who claim to be Christians.

WHY I LEFT JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES by Ted Dencher (Christian Literature Crusade, Ft. Washington, Pa., 222 pp., paper \$2.50)

A man's story of how in his search for God, he was led to consider, and finally join the Jehovah's Witness cult. He tells of his life and work in the organization, and in his discussion points out the deceptions and methods which deceive him and kept him in the group for ten years. He tells of his contact with some Christians, his beginning to search the Bible to find what it really taught about Christ, and of learning that Jesus is the Christ, and that He is the

Saviour. He tells of his conversion and the glorious experience of being in Christ. From this experience he discusses numerous Christian doctrines such as the new birth, the Deity of Christ, and the hereafter, showing the true New Testament teaching and exposing the falsity of the JW position. This will be a splendid book for guidance in dealing with Jehovah's Witnesses, and witnessing to them.

JOURNEY THROUGH THE HOLY LAND by Betty Hartman Wolf (Doubleday, 267 pp., \$4.95)

Mrs. Wolf and her husband, a Lutheran minister, spent a year in Jordan; from their experiences has come this charming and practical travel book. The writer takes the reader through the bustling color of Bedouin villages to Mount of Olives. She gives equal attention to the remains of the Biblical past. She provides information on transportation, lodging facilities, language, money, health hazards, etc.

LET US GO ON TO MATURITY by John Hunter, (Zondervan, 136 pp., \$2.95)

Twelve pointed challenging messages on Christian maturity. Laying the foundation of the risen Christ as the basis of Christian faith, the author considers the steps that the Christian must take to leave spiritual babyhood and grow into full maturity. He uses the unique method of first giving a chapter on the experience of

### Current Issues In Baptist Life



By Wayne E. Ward  
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### HOW YOUNG MAY CHILDREN BECOME CHRISTIANS?

By Wayne E. Ward,  
Professor Theology  
Southern Seminary

One of the sharpest issues in Baptist life today is the question of child conversion. Because of their strong emphasis upon conviction of sin and the necessity of the "new birth," Baptists have always wanted children to be old enough to "know what they are doing" when they make a public profession of faith in Christ and request baptism.

Most denominations have settled this problem by taking the children of their members and sprinkling them in infancy. Thus, they are reared as "baptized churchmembers" from the beginning. Although they may later be confirmed in a ritual of personal dedication and commitment, at about twelve years of age, they are not confronted with the crisis of confessing their lost condition and publicly trusting Christ as their personal Savior. Baptists believe that only the Heavenly Father can draw men to Christ (John 6:44), so they wait for the inner working of God's Spirit in the heart of the child to bring about a genuine response of faith.

But there is where the problem has arisen! Teachers and parents have seen over-zealous appeals extended to children who were very young. Sometimes, in the ef-

fort to make converts in an evangelistic service, strong emotional pressures have been applied to junior, and even primary, classes and departments. Some junior teachers have boasted that no one has ever gone through their class "without becoming a Christian!"

Such external pressures are extremely dangerous. They may coerce a false response. Children may yield to adult pressure, rather than to the Spirit of God. They may go through life inoculated against a genuine experience of faith because they think they are already saved.

In an effort to deal with this very real problem, some suggestions are being made which may create even worse problems. Some have suggested the setting of an arbitrary minimum age—perhaps twelve years old—since Hebrew boys became "sons of the law" at about twelve. Others suggest that puberty, or dawning sexual maturity, must be reached before the child can be received for baptism and church membership. Some have suggested even more maturity—the later teens—in order to get the child past the early crises of dating, vocational choices, and emerging adult responsibilities.

But all of these suggestions have a fatal flaw. They assume that we can set up a kind of external calendar within which we will permit the Spirit of God to work his miracle of conversion. Anyone who has worked carefully with children knows the clear evidence of God's Spirit convicting and drawing the child to him. The child needs the undergirding power of Christian belief and the nature of the Christian community at every point of his physical and psychological development. He needs to be on the inside—not the outside!

Those who have taught young ministers and missionaries for many years can tell you that almost all of them publicly trusted Christ before they ever left the junior department—that is, before they were twelve. Many came at eight, or even younger! The point was that they made a genuine response to God in their own hearts, and their churches guided them along the Christian journey toward maturity.

All of us should beware of external pressures put upon children or adults. But we should welcome with open arms those who come with the clear evidence of the inner working of God's Spirit. Conversion is a miracle whether one is eight or eighty!

YOUR BIBLE by Louis Cassels (Doubleday, 267 pp., \$4.95)

This contains a valuable, useful plan for reading the Bible, in a logical rather than a chronological order. It is written by a news columnist, who is author of the weekly column, "Religion in America," that appears in over 450 dailies. YOUR BIBLE tells "what it is, how to read it, why it's the greatest of all books, where to find its treasures." Mr. Cassels says this Bible is NOT to be read INSTEAD of the Scriptures, but that his sole purpose is to introduce the reader to the Bible so that he can find out for himself why it is known as "The Book of Life."

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Several mothers of missionaries were recognized at the convention. Seated, from left: Mrs. W. B. Alexander, mother of Mrs. Antoinette Myers, Vietnam; Mrs. W. F. Garner, mother of Mrs. Ann Lawson, Kentucky; Mrs. Martin Gilbert, mother of Rev. James P. Gilbert, Ecuador; Mrs. J. M. Henderson, mother of Rev. Guy Henderson, Korea; Mrs. S. D. Bibb, mother of Mrs. Frances Raley, Formosa; Mrs. C. O. Trenor, mother of Mrs. Mary Lee Askew, Japan; Mrs. J. A. Porter, mother of Mrs. Freda Trott, Brazil; Standing: Mrs. Lewis Myers, mother of Rev. Lewis Myers, Vietnam; Mrs. R. L. Lambright, mother of Dr. R. L. Lambright, Indonesia; Mrs. S. B. Cooper, mother of Mrs. Elizabeth Merritt, Nigeria; Mrs. H. B. Lee, Sr., mother of Rev. Hal Lee, France; Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick, mother of Miss Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, Nigeria; Mrs. W. S. Sanderson, mother of Miss Rennie Sanderson, Japan; Mrs. W. J. Ditsworth, mother of Mrs. Hazel Gilstrap, Guamala and Miss Mary Alice Ditsworth, Indonesia; Mrs. S. F. Myers, mother of Rev. Payton Myers, Nigeria.

## WMU Meets 88th Time

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City, state vice president of WMU, presented the mothers of missionaries. This is always one of the most proud and touching moments of the convention. One of the speakers said he thought that Mississippi is the only state which follows this custom of honoring the missionaries' mothers.

Dr. Joseph R. Estes, of Atlanta, Ga., told his listeners that America at one time was called a "Protestant" nation but that the situation has vastly changed. Home Mission Board's Secretary of the Department of Work Related to Non-Evangelicals, Dr.

Estes said, "World War II precipitated a social upheaval that was followed by a change in religious scene. Roman Catholicism and Judaism became indigenous to American culture, followed by Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, 7th Day Adventists, and others. And now, the non-Christian world religions such as Buddhism, predominantly Oriental in origin, have begun to make inroads in American life."

Dr. Estes said that his heart had always gone out to the Jews, and he longed to be a missionary to them, possibly to Israel. He did serve for a time as a foreign missionary, though he did not get to go to Israel. He had to return from Hong Kong for health reasons. He said the last time he was in Mississippi was at the FMB Orientation Conference at Gulfshore, (and the time before that he was at Keesler Field.) Now through the Home Mission Board, the Lord has placed him in a nation where there are six million of the eleven million of the world's Jews. He lives in a suburb where almost all the families are Jewish and his children's friends are almost all Jewish. Dr. Estes is practicing what he preaches about

"Love your neighbor as yourself."

He says, "We are called upon to live so that our neighbors MUST understand that we love God and that we love them. We MUST love the Catholics, and the Jews, if we are to win them.—And we must listen to them with a third ear, so we can understand them. Then maybe they will listen to us."

He said, "We should engage those of other persuasions in serious and open conversation concerning the nature of our faith and theirs so that we may share with them the life in Christ as we have experienced it."

Miss Rennie Sanderson, missionary to Japan, and Southern Baptists' first music missionary, sang "Amazing Grace," accompanying her own singing on the Japanese stringed instrument called the koto.

She told about her first birthday in Japan. That day she thought, "All the women in the WMU in the States will be reading my name today on the Calendar of Prayer and praying for me. I know some wonderful things will happen!" But everything that day went wrong. Someone was to give her a birthday party that night. She forgot her city map, got lost, and couldn't even find her way back home until 10 o'clock, so she missed the party.

About midnight, she woke up, and thought someone had called her. Others in the house said they had not called. Suddenly she realized that people in the States were just waking up, and had been asleep all during her "day." She remembered that she had not prayed for the people "back home," and she paused to do so.

A week or two later she learned that her parents' home had burned at the exact time that she woke up and prayed. Her parents were not harmed.

Dr. Gordon Sainsing, secretary, Department of Evangelism, MBCB, spoke on "The Unending Task of Evangelism." He brought out the fact that it is POSSIBLE to evangelize the world in our generation, that is, not win all men to Christ, but to confront all men with the opportunity of saying "yes" or "no" to Christ.

Miss Elaine Dickson of Birmingham, assistant to the director, Promotion Division, WMU, SBC, said that "while we live in a changing world, we should not be shaped by these changes but we should be instrumental in shaping the changes. In spite of a rapidly changing world, God does not change and our nature as His children likewise does not change."

Dr. Jasper McPhail, medical missionary to India, was featured speaker at the night session. He pictured India as a land steeped in tradition, slow to change, a culture over 2000 years old and beset with tremendous problems. He said that while there are numerous religions in India with Hinduism the principal one, there is complete religious freedom for all peoples. There are 1,250,000 Baptists, the largest number in any nation in the world outside the U.S., he declared. Protestants, including Baptists, number 5,000,000 out of a total population of 500,000,000.

Mrs. Marvin Garrett, missionary to Rhodesia, said, "The Rhodesians ask, 'Can Baptists sing? Can they

dance? Can they gamble?' and I answer, 'We Baptists don't have laws, or rules. By the grace of God we are saved through faith.'" She went on to emphasize that Paul said to Timothy, "Be strong in the grace of God." She added, "The most challenging task in the world is to be a Christian every moment of every day. What one of us is so good that he can let his life speak and leave it at that?"

Mrs. Garrett, a dynamic speaker and great storyteller, told some hilarious stories about her life in Rhodesia, and some pathetic stories, and some inspiring stories. In closing she reminded the women of Grandmother Lois' and Mother Eunice's influence in Timothy's life. She said that it is for some to preach and some to teach — and others to pass on to their children the vision of world missions.

Others on program included J. W. Carney, Pakistan; Mary Alice Ditsworth, Indonesia, Mr. and Mrs. Dolton Haggan, missionary to the Choctaw Indians of Mississippi; Mrs. Payton Myers, Nigeria; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Raley, Taiwan; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry St. John, missionaries to the deaf in Mississippi; Mrs. Ed Trott, Brazil; Mrs. James Walker, Rhodesia. A missionary panel, in native costume, was a highlight of the Wednesday afternoon meeting.

The Tuesday evening session included excerpts from "The Greatest Story Ever Yet Untold," missionary cantata by Eugene Clark of First, Yazoo City.

Officers re-elected in addition to the president and vice-president included Mrs. D. P. Godman, recording secretary, and Miss Sue Tatum, associate recording secretary. Miss Edwina Robinson is executive secretary.

Registration tipped the 2200-mark, with 900 women, 700 Sunbeams, and 500 GA's registering.

### Georgetown Starts Science Center

GEORGETOWN, Ky. (BP) —A contract for a new \$1½ million sciences learning center at Georgetown College here has been awarded to a Lexington, Ky., construction firm by the executive board of the Baptist school's trustees.

The new center will house the college's departments of chemistry, biology, physics and mathematics in its 52,750 square foot design.

## Recollections Of The Baptist Record Under Editor P. I. Lipsey, Part VIII

By John J. Lipsey

I have said that I cannot remember that my father, Dr. P. I. Lipsey (Editor of The Baptist Record from 1912 to 1941) ever took a vacation. The nearest things to vacations were the visits he made to Baptist conventions, Associations, etc., which were working vacations, as newspaper men know. On such occasions, between April 1912 and December 1917, I was left in complete charge of The Record. This was a responsibility for which I was not at first well-prepared, but it was necessary for me to assume it. So, I wrote editorials, corrected copy (sometimes re-wrote it), read proof, made a dumfry for the current issue, and did whatever had to be done.

The right-hand, top drawer of Father's roll-top desk was called "the copy drawer." In this went the material sent in and intended for publication, if it could not be immediately used in print. Gradually there accumulated there a mess of stuff that Father had not made up his mind about, or which had to be corrected or re-written, if it was to be used at all.

Because I had so much work to do (I sometimes worked as late as 10 p.m.), I am afraid that I tended to send first to the printer the pieces which were well-typed and free from grammatical and other errors, rather than more interesting material which required rewriting.

I remember a series of articles on the imminence of something or other which had been sent in by a rising young Mississippi pastor. These were beautifully typed on fine paper, needing no correction from me. I sent these in to be set and printed, though they were so profound that I could not understand them at all. I assumed that theologically-educated persons could make sense out of them.

The author of these pieces later rose to the top in Mississippi Baptist and Southern Baptist circles. I don't think this was because I printed his articles; I believe it was due to the fact that he was a brilliant organizer and administrator. But he remained my friend and father's friend until his death while he was a board secretary.

During these days, I had a standing invitation to take

Sunday-night supper with my maternal grandfather, Dr. John L. Johnson, Sr., at Clinton. Dr. Johnson had been at various times, a Baptist pastor, a professor of English, a college president and editor of The Baptist Layman, published at Winona, Mississippi. He was an 1859 graduate of the University of Virginia and had a lifelong love-affair with the English language and devoted years of his life to preserving the purity and clarity of that tongue. During sessions of talk after supper, when we would sit on the gallery, feet on the bannister, pipes in mouths, I learned much of what I know about writing (to which some years of my life have been devoted). For instance:

Once when Father was away at a Southern Baptist Convention at Little Rock (I think), I had written a couple of editorials for The Record. I was very proud of these, especially of a phrase in one of them, "gelatinous jelly". Grandpa deflated me by pointing out that this phrase was "tautological, redundant and repetitious". To this day I am careful to consider the meaning of words, rather than the sound.

During this same absence of my father, I complained to Grandpa of the labor I had had to perform in re-writing some articles sent in by careless or ignorant contributors. Between puffs, Grandpa said in effect that I must never complain about this necessity. He said that if I improved the article, the original writer would feel puffed up ("What a good writer I am!") and the paper and I would have made a friend for life.

He also advised me to use as many "personal" paragraphs as possible, since everyone likes to see his name in print (unless it is in connection with something reprehensible).

I have found these pieces of advice valuable down to the near-present. I edited the annual historical volume of The

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Dr. Jasper McPhail, missionary to India, delivers address on Tuesday evening.



Several personalities are seen together just before convention opened Tuesday morning. From left: Mrs. C. C. Warren, Charlotte, N. C., worship leader; Dr. Joseph Estes, Atlanta, speaker; Mrs. Hannah, president, and Mrs. Silas B. Cooper, Clinton.



Many attending the convention visited the Baptist Book Store Exhibit at the convention. Mrs. Harvey Lenke, Woodville, (right), purchases book from Mrs. O. M. Jones, Book Store manager.



Frank Stovall, Ft. Worth, Texas, music director and soloist for convention, confers with Mrs. Clyde Bryan, of Jackson, convention organist.

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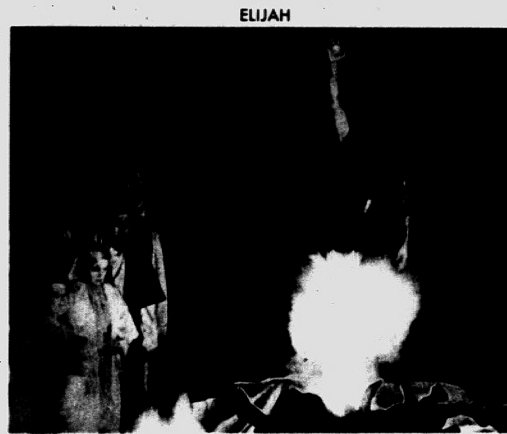
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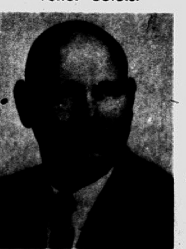
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| 7:10              | Our Host  | David Grant        |
| 7:15              | Our Purpose   | Bryant Cummings    |
| 7:20              | Our Conference Leadership   |                    |
| 7:25              | CONFERENCES   |                    |
| 8:30              | Assembly in Auditorium  |                    |
| 8:35              | Music   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 8:40              | Principles of Interpretation in Old Testament Study—"The Life Situation"    | Clyde T. Francisco |
| 9:15              | Adjourn   |                    |
| TUESDAY MORNING   |   |                    |
| 9:00              | Worship   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 9:15              | CONFERENCES   |                    |
| 10:30             | Break   |                    |
| 11:00             | Assembly in Auditorium  |                    |
| 11:10             | Music   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 11:15             | "On Being Led of the Lord"  | W. Boyd Hunt       |
| 12:00             | Adjourn   |                    |
| TUESDAY AFTERNOON |   |                    |
| 2:00              | CONFERENCES   |                    |
| 3:15              | Adjourn-Assembly in Auditorium  |                    |
| 3:20              | Music   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 3:25              | "Evangelize Now"  | Jaroy Weber        |
| 4:00              | Adjourn   |                    |
| TUESDAY NIGHT     |   |                    |
| 7:00              | CONFERENCES   |                    |
| 8:30              | Adjourn-Assembly in Auditorium  |                    |
| 8:35              | Music   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 8:40              | "The New Morality"  | W. Boyd Hunt       |
| 9:15              | Adjourn   |                    |
| WEDNESDAY MORNING |   |                    |
| 9:00              | Worship   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 9:15              | "The Church's Main Business"  | Jaroy Weber        |
| 9:45              | CONFERENCES   |                    |
| 10:45             | Break   |                    |
| 11:00             | Adjourn-Assembly in Auditorium  |                    |
| 11:10             | Music   | Stalneck, Tysons   |
| 11:15             | Principles of Interpretation in Old Testament Study—"Fulfillment in Christ" | Clyde T. Francisco |
| 12:00             | Adjourn   |                    |

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## Special Easter Program Presented At Van Winkle

The Van Winkle Church Jackson, presented a special Easter service Friday night, March 24. The moving story of the death and resurrection of our Lord was brought to life in the dramatization of the "Seven Last Words of Christ." The story so familiar to everyone was given more meaning to those who watched as the choirs became the jeering crowds at the foot of the cross. Mary, the mother of Jesus, knelt at the foot of the cross and mourned the agony and death of her Lord, as other members of the choir tried to comfort her as the drama moved and became more real to those who watched it. Special lighting effects along with special sound effect added the finishing touches to the drama as the choirs sang the closing song, "Christ We Do All Adore Thee." Soloists: (Soprano)—Kathryn Lick, Janet Vandevander and Cissy Schultz; (Tenor) Kenneth Storie, Linda Ainsworth; (Baritone) Robert Reader and John Heiden. The music program of Van Winkle is under the direction of Eddie Hebert. Rev. H. A. Milner is pastor.



CHILDREN'S VILLAGE Religious Emphasis Week leaders were, from left: Rev. Charles Gentry, pastor Morrison Heights Baptist Church, Clinton; Mrs. Jan Nix, director, Department of Music; Miss Glo Townsend, assistant, Music Department at Village; "The Treble Teens", octet; with Rev. Earl McGraw, director of activities and director of Religious Emphasis Week, standing behind.

## Children's Village Has Religious Emphasis Week

The week ending March 19 marked the sixth annual observance of Religious Em-

phasis Week on the campus of the Baptist Children's Village. According to Village authorities, the 1967 period of spiritual information and inspiration has been one of the most fruitful and helpful in the entire series.

Rev. Charles Gentry, pastor of Morrison Heights Church of Clinton, brought inspirational messages at each of the five evening services under the theme "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus."

The day-time hours were consumed with discussion groups and workshops for children of all ages under the reverse theme, "Jesus Turns His Eyes Upon You."

The workshops, led by Social Service and Administrative personnel from the Village Staff and by several off-campus personalities from the Jackson area, dealt with topics such as honesty, clean speech, courtesy and consideration, care of clothing and proper attire. High school boys and girls participated in sessions dealing with the interest of Jesus in their romances.

Special music for the inspirational services was provided by the Department of Music at the Village and featured "The Treble Teens" a top Village Choral ensemble. Special features of the week were a concert for children and staff by the Stalneck team and a "Charm School" for teen-age girls conducted by Mrs. Paula Canzavene of Woodland Hills Church of Jackson.

Religious Emphasis Week at the Village was originated in 1961 during the Christmas holiday season. It was shifted to coincide with Spring Holi-

days from the public school system when the boys and girls commenced to attend public schools in the fall of 1962.

Under the general direction and supervision of Rev. Karl K. McGraw, Director of Activities on the Village staff, a special attempt is made each year during this period to relate practical aspects of the Village program to the spiritual needs of each individual child.

It has been pointed out that The Children's Village regards its real mission to be in the realm of the spirit, and that this week of emphasis represents another effort to directly relate its year-long program to this mission.



Rev. Joe W. Shurden

## West End Church Calls Pastor

Rev. Joe W. Shurden, native of Oktibbeha County, has accepted the pastorate of West End Church, Winston Association, in Louisville.

He moved to West End from the pastorate of the Antioch

## Area Library Promotion Clinics To Feature "Something Dreadful"

NASHVILLE—Mrs. Sarah Walton Miller, a Houston housewife and dramatist, has prepared "Something Dreadful," which will be presented at the area-wide church library promotion clinics to be conducted in April by the church library department of the Sunday School Board.

This play will be presented and evaluated at each of the three clinics: eastern states, Elvin Reeves in charge, April 7-8, First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.; central and south states, James Rose in charge, April 21-22, Woodlawn Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.; western states, Glynn Hill in charge, April 24-25, Olivet Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

## Announcing the Third Annual Summer Student Music Program

A Summer Music Student is available upon request by churches or associations. Application blanks and information sheets are available upon request from the Church Music Department.

SCHEDULE: The Worker will arrive on the field on Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning and will remain for one or two weeks, depending on the pre-arranged schedule. He is available to assist in the services on Sunday, but would largely observe your music program in order to help him in teaching during the week. Classes can be scheduled morning, afternoon, and/or night, depending upon your needs and time available.

CLASSES: The classes offered is determined on the needs of each church. Classes in music reading, voice, piano, organ, song leading, graded choir methods and hymnology could be sched-

uled. Choir rehearsals for whatever age groups your church desires could be planned.

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ADDITIONAL WORKERS: Should additional workers be needed, the church (or association) will be responsible for the full \$50 honorarium for each additional worker.

Workers are provided on a "first-come" basis.

## WMU LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Spring is here! Have you begun preparations for securing WMU officers for next year? In the April and May issues of *Royal Service* you will find articles pertaining to the WMU leadership committee, which replaces the WMU nominating committee.

Simply stated, the new plan for securing WMU leaders in the church is that WMU officers and leaders are nominated by the church nominating committee and elected by the congregation. A WMU leadership committee assists the church nominating committee in selecting and enlisting these leaders.

Registration begins at 1:00 P.M. on Mondays, and camp will close after breakfast on Saturday (8 A.M.). The applications are accepted in order as they arrive in the office. We try to give you your first preference on the date you want to come. Be sure to list your second and third choice of dates in case your first choice is full.

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By Clifton J. Allen

John 14:15-17, 25-27; 16:5-11;

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stand the truth about Christ.

The Spirit came upon each

one of the believers, not just

the apostles. There is no dis-

tinction between believers and

God. Every Christian is

meant to be a witness.



# WAYNE COUNTY ANNOUNCES ANNUAL EVANGELISM CLINIC

Wayne County Association will hold its annual Evangelism Clinic, April 15. The first session for pastors will meet at Chancellor's Colonial Restaurant, highway 84, Waynesboro, at 9:30 A.M. The second session, involving all church leaders, will meet at First Church, Waynesboro, at 7:30 P.M.

Dr. John E. Barnes, pastor of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, will be the inspirational speaker. Also, Dr. Foy Rogers, state secretary of the Cooperative Missions Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention, will bring an address.

Henry L. Tillman, Evangelism Chairman, says that as

a special feature of the Clinic, the Evangelism Committee has prepared a Planbook on Evangelism geared to the specific needs of Wayne County. A copy will be given to each pastor, church department leader, and chairman of deacons.

A highlight of the clinic will be a program planned by local church leaders. A leader representing each church organization will present a special address describing his organization's role in evangelism. The following persons have planned this: Chester Cook, Mrs. Lucille Bailey, Mrs. H. M. Clark, Scotty Mills, Curtis Hester, Rev. Bud Gardner, Marvin Farrior, and Mike Chapman.

## DEVOTIONAL

### The Extravagance Of Love

By Malcolm A. Jones, Pastor, First, Houston, Miss.

(Mark 14:4-5)

This is a familiar scene where Jesus received the extravagant love of an extravagant woman. This woman poured out a costly vial of ointment on the feet of our blessed Lord and wiped His feet with her hair. Judas voiced an opinion, "This is waste!" This is representative of the attitude of the uninitiated in general. They would indicate that everything poured out on our Lord is waste. The hours we spend in worship, the money that dedicated hands bring in order to forward God's work, the buildings that are erected so that Christian training might be given to the young and old. A choice young man proclaiming the gospel, lives that are really dedicated to the cause of God; of all of this they say, "What a waste!" of something that could have better been used. Also suggested, Why not give it to the poor?" This sort of thing was indicative to be too good an expression for Jesus. Yet, the Lord is worthy of such.

There is nothing too good for Him on the part of those who are experienced. There is not only the poor to be considered as in this case but we must ask ourselves, "Is Jesus satisfied with the kind of devotion we give to Him?"

It is true that our Lord will never be satisfied until we have come to this kind of abandonment of ourselves before Him. If the Lord then is satisfied, how can it be waste?

Ask the man possessing the miracle of God who knows the transforming grace of God's power, "Is He worth it?" Ask the person who has gone through deep hours of personal loss and sorrow, "Is it worth it to pour out such devotion on one?" Ask one who walks in His presence daily, "Is it worth it all?" The sure response will be, "He is worth it all."



Rev. Bill Moseley

### Crenshaw Church Calls Moseley

Crenshaw Church has called Rev. Bill Moseley as pastor. Mr. Moseley recently returned to Mississippi after having completed his studies at Golden Gate Seminary in California. He will receive his B. D. degree from there next month.

A graduate of Mississippi College, and a native of Florida, he has pastored in Mississippi before, at Darling Church.

In California he served as pastor while he was in the seminary and also was pastor of a mission in Carlin, Nevada.

Mrs. Moseley, the former Barbara Cooke of Quitman County, was employed, for several years before her marriage, in the WMU Department in the Baptist Building in Jackson. The couple now have two children, Elizabeth, 2, and Becky, one.

## REVIVAL DATES

**Oil City Church:** April 10-16; services nightly at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Johnnie Lee Taylor, First Church, Canton, evangelist; H. H. Fenton, song leader; Rev. Franklin Leggett, pastor. Dinner will be served on the church grounds April 16, with afternoon services, but no night services on that date.

**Clear Springs (Smith):** April 7, 8, 9; Rev. Billy Ray Smith of Clarke College, pastor and evangelist.

**Saltillo Church:** April 2 - 9; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Neal Bowman, Jr. (pictured), new pastor, evangelist; Tommy Fortenberry, the church's music director, song leader.

**East Morton Church, Morton:** April 28; services at 7 p.m.; youth revival; youth team from Mississippi College; William Tucker, Philadelphia; Jerry Simmons of Meridian; Jenta Dowell, Caledonia; and Barb Gore, from Arlington, Va.; Lamar Harvey, youth pastor.

**Terry Church, Terry:** April 2-7; Rev. Kenneth Henson, pastor of Westview Church, Sylacauga, Ala., evangelist;

Tommy Newman, music director at Terry Church, will lead the singing; weekday services at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. A. L. Courtney, Jr., pastor.

**Rolling Creek Church (Clarke County)** April 9-14; Rev. Ed Tharpe, pastor of Victory Church, Bassfield, evangelist; Harvey W. Carr, music director; Sunday services at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday services at 7:30 p.m.; special music will be presented by special groups from Clarke College; Rev. Jack W. Kinley, pastor.

**Meadowood Church, Amory:** April 16-21; Rev. Bill Duncan (pictured) business manager of the Baptist Record, Jackson, evangelist; Robert Nations, Pensacola, Fla., music director; services at 7:30 p.m. Rev. H. B. Nail, pastor.

**East Louisville (Winston):** YOUTH REVIVAL—April 12-16; Bud Wagner—speaker; Richard Cole—music director; Youth Hour 6:30; services 7:30 p.m.

### Mary Hardin-Baylor Names Director

BELTON, Tex. (BP)—A retired Baptist pastor, W. L. Shuttlesworth of Tyler, Tex., has been employed by Mary Hardin-Baylor College as director of development.

Mississippi College and president of chapter of Fellowship for Christian Athletes, evangelist; Victor Lynn Walsh, freshman at Southwest Miss. Junior College and music director at Galilee, Gloster, in charge of music; Rev. Winfred R. Lowrey, pastor; three professions of faith; two commitments to full-time Christian service; one surrender to foreign missions; two additions by letter; five rededications (all these decisions made by the young people, except one.)

## Mexican Baptists Go To The Fair

A booth sponsored by the First Baptist Association of Coahuila, Mexico, won third place among cultural exhibits at the Coahuila state fair. (Baptists were outdone only by the federal department of education and the state university, whose exhibits placed first and second, respectively.)

More than 300,000 persons attended the fair, reports Rev. William H. Gray, Jr., missionary to Coahuila. Baptist pastors took advantage of their many opportunities to witness as they sold Bibles, books, and hymnals.

Typical of fairgoers who visited the Baptist booth was a woman doctor who hesitantly entered one hot afternoon when few people were stirring. The pastor on duty showed her various religious books and editions of the Bible and then tactfully drew her into conversation. She said she was discontented with her traditional faith and asked what Baptists believe. They talked for more than an hour before she left with a Bible and several other books she had purchased.

On the final night of the week-long fair some Roman Catholic priests came to the booth and tried to engage the Baptist pastors in controversy. The pastors refused to argue but gladly witnessed to their convictions.



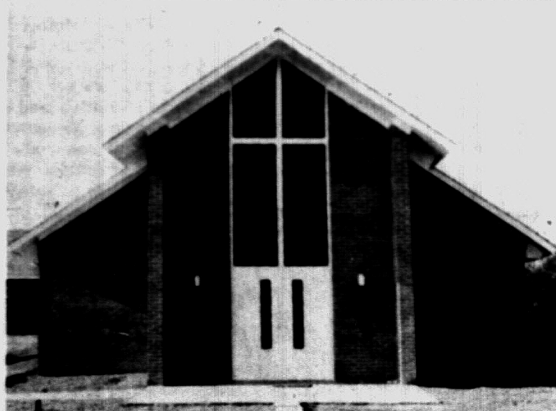
MRS. ORA BATES of Leesburg Church, was recently awarded the eleventh year Sunday school attendance pin. Her attendance has been on consecutive Sundays, all in the home church with the exception of four Sundays, two of which were at Ridgecrest. Leon Tadlock, Sunday school superintendent, is shown. Rev. R. W. Porter is pastor.

## Recollections - - -

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Denver Westerners, their Brand Book for 1962. Three of the 40 articles submitted contained valuable historical information, but were so loosely written that I re-wrote them entirely. One of these revised pieces about Western author Will James, received praises from two nationally highly-regarded critics and from the article writer himself. The writer of another told me he was angry at my changes until he checked and found my changes saved him from embarrassment. The third writer never complained; so I assumed he was pleased.

(Note to the article preceding this one, Part VII: In mentioning the book, *Bilbo, Brewer and Bribery in Mississippi Politics*, by G. A. Hobbs, I should have said that this book contains the first mention I have ever seen in a book concerning what is now called "bugging". According to Hobbs, the Burns Detective Agency used "dictaphones and dictaphones" to listen, unknown, to talkers in rooms in the National Park Hotel in Vicksburg and the Royal Hotel in Jackson, Mississippi, in 1912. The Agency, he said, also had "telegraphones" for making phonograph records of these conversations, but did not use them, but relied on stenographic records. This is pretty early for "bugging".) 1920 Pinegrove, Broadmoor, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80906



### Bentonia To Dedicate Building

Dedication services for the new building of Benton Church will be held Sunday, April 9, a year from the Sunday when groundbreaking services were held.

Rev. R. A. Coulter Jr., former pastor, will bring the dedication sermon at the 11 a.m. worship service with Mrs. Janie Adams, a former member, bringing special music. Dinner will be served in the fellowship hall, followed at 1:30 p.m. by introduction of guests, architect,

and contractors. Special music will be by young ladies from the local church and several other churches. The dedication service will be led by the pastor, Rev. Reid Dicken Jr.

Rev. James Metts of Winaona, a former pastor, and E. F. Thigpen, a member of the local congregation, will be present for the occasion. Both were on the Building Committee when the former building was constructed in 1921.

The Building and Furnishing Committee included the following: A. M. Brumfield as chairman, H. L. Creel, H. M. Magers, Mrs. Frank Hancock, Mrs. Robert Hancock, and Mr. Dicken, pastor.

The new building is of contemporary design with laminated wooden arches in the sanctuary. It includes a fellowship hall and kitchen, as well as departments and classrooms for each age group in the educational building. Sanctuary furniture, including a new Allen organ and a piano, was installed along with much new furniture in the educational section. The church, composed of brick and block construction, was completed and occupied for the first service on November 13, 1966. At that time approximately 65 percent of the total cost had been paid.

The highest capital in the world, before the conquest by China, was Lhasa in Tibet with an elevation of 12,087 feet above sea level.

## Names In The News

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., missionaries to Rhodesia, are scheduled to arrive in the States March 28 for furlough. They may be addressed, P. O. Box 235, Hollandale, Miss. Dr. Cannata is a native of Houston, Tex.; Mrs. Cannata, the former Virginia Currey, was born in Greenville, Miss., and grew up in Hollandale.

Rev. John P. Vandercook, Sr., former Mississippian, was guest speaker on March 14 at a men's supper meeting in First Church, New Orleans, La. Mr. Vandercook is director of the New Orleans Baptist Seamen's Service. In just one two-month period last fall, he visited 179 ships from 33 nations. He distributed 87 Bibles in 21 languages, 170 New Testaments in 30 languages, and around 3,000 tracts. He led local church groups onto seven different ships to entertain and witness to the men. He held 64 personal conferences and recorded 17 professions of faith. He led 72 of the men to attend five different churches, and had 103 men attending the Seamen's Service Center.

Richard D. Sanders, of Paris, Tenn., was ordained a deacon by English-language Immanuel Baptist Church, Madrid, Spain, on March 5. Mr. Sanders is completing a three-year tour of duty at a U. S. Air Force base near Madrid. He and Mrs. Sanders and their four daughters expect to return to the States in June.

### Roundaway Calls Music Director

Miss Carole Dodd of Schlatter has assumed her duties as music director for the Roundaway Church at Daddsville.

She formerly served as youth and music director at Moorhead Church and as music director at Schlatter Church.

She graduated from Mississippi Delta Junior College in May, 1966, where she was BSU music chairman. Now a junior at Delta State College, she is studying toward a B.S. degree.

Dr. Robert H. Culpepper, missionary to Japan, is author of *Interpreting the Atonement*, recently released by William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company (\$2.45, paperback). A Georgian who has served overseas for 16 years, Dr. Culpepper teaches theology in the Japan Baptist theological seminary, a department of Seinan Gakuin University, Fukuoka.

Dr. Bob N. Ramsay, pastor of First Church, Brookhaven, held a revival in Borger, Texas, First Church, March 27-April 2. Rev. Joe Dee Ray is Pastor at First, Borger.

Rev. Halton Arnold Davis of West Point, Mississippi, has agreed to serve as interim pastor of the Damascus and New Hope churches near Blakely, Ga., April through June. A student at Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Florida, he previously was pastor of Pleasant Grove Church, Black, Alabama. Mr. Davis was a bricklayer and builder before entering the ministry in 1963. He has worked part-time at the trade while studying at BBI.



NEW HOPE CHURCH of Gulfport recently licensed James Anderson to the gospel ministry. He is the son of Naaman Anderson and Mrs. Eva Torres. Jim is a freshman at Jeff Davis Jr. College in Bland, Rev. Max Walker, pastor, presented him with the license.

## New Sacred Records

THE LORD BLESS YOU (Word 3392)

Word chooses some old favorites from sixteen of its recent albums. Included are stars like Jim Roberts and Norma Zimmer. Don Hustad and Tedd Smith, Frank Boggs, Jerome Hines, The Singing Churchmen and others. This is a good sampler of good religious music.

EVERYBODY SINGS—Cliff Barrows and the Gang (Word W-3387)

Cliff Barrows, song leader for Billy Graham, leads the College Choral of the First Baptist Church, Van Nuys, California, plus a high school group known as the Jubilaire, sing a group of favorite numbers for young people's groups. Here you hear All My Sins Are Gone, Altogether Lovely, I Have A New Song In My Heart, Every Moment of the Day, Heaven Came Down and many others.

THE BILLY GRAHAM LONDON CRUSADE CHOIR (RCA Victor LPM 3698)

The 2000 voices of the London Crusade Choir, the entire congregation and George Beverly Shea as soloist, present some of the favorite music of this great crusade. Among the numbers are Heaven Came Down and Filled My Soul, He's Got The Whole World In His Hand, Tis Marvelous and Wonderful, O Happy Day, Then Jesus Came and others.

TENDERLY HE WATCHES—George Beverly Shea (RCA Camden CAS 653e)

Any Shea Record is sure to be popular. This one includes such numbers as Sunrise, Jesus Loves Me, He Died For Me, The Army of the Lord, Once and Only Once, and several others.

OUR COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE—Arthur Godfrey and The Richard Wolfe Children's Chorus. (RCA Camden CAL-1062)

Songs, music, stories of our country. Great moments of American history delightfully told and sung by one of America's beloved radio and television stars, plus an outstanding choral group.

THE TRUMPET SOUNDS OF CAROLE REINHART (Zondervan ZLP 691)

Carole Reinhart "the Miami trumpet genius" who has played with Al Hirt and Skitch Henderson, and has played at New York Philharmonic, Lincoln Center, etc., uses her talented trumpet to present the message of Christ. Hear her here play Sound the Battle Cry, Speak My Lord, Turn your Eyes Upon Jesus, So Send I You, Speak My Lord, as well as such numbers as Bach Duet, Haydn Concerto and Bar's Fantasia.

IN THE GARDEN—Stuart Hamblen (RCA Camden CAL 973)

Stuart Hamblen sings gospel favorites such as In the Garden, Amazing Grace, In the Sweet By and By, How Great Thou Art, His Eye Is on the Sparrow, When the Roll is Called Up Yonder. This is the witness of a man who became a Christian in Billy Graham's first Los Angeles Crusade.

SOUTHLAND SONGS THAT LIFT THE HEART by George Beverly Shea (RCA Victor LPM 3634)

How can one introduce this most beloved gospel singer in the world today? One can only say, here are songs the South loves, sung only as Shea can sing them. Kneel At the Cross, Stranger of Galilee, Sometime, I Shall Not Be Moved, Beautiful Isle and others.

## Off The Record

A diet specialist said to a lady, "Now if you will follow my directions, I guarantee you will lose weight, and you can eat anything you want." "You mean eat anything I want?"

"Yes," he replied, "but don't swallow."

Mom: "Sit down and tell me what your grades are."

Son: "Can't sit down. I just told Pop what they are."

Waiter: "How did you find your steak, Sir?"

Diner: "Just by accident. I moved the boiled potato and there it was."

What keys are too big to carry in your pocket?

A don-key, a mon-key, and a tur-key.

The janitor reported 10 minutes late for work and the manager asked: "What did they do in the Army when you were 10 minutes late in the morning?"

"Every time I came in late," the janitor said, "They all stood up, saluted, and said, 'Good morning, Colonel!'"

She: "There's that noisy cat back again. I thought you took it out to the country to lose it."

He: "I did, then I got lost and had to follow it back home."

## Greenfield To Dedicate New Buildings

The Greenfield Church of Greenville has completed its new church and educational buildings and is announcing dedication service to be held Sunday, April 9, at 3 p.m.

The pastor of the church, Rev. L. H. McCullough, will conduct the service.

The church started a mission sponsored by the First Church of Greenville in 1958.

The building was completed at a cost of approximately \$30,000 and has facilities to care for 400 or more in Sunday school and a sanctuary seating capacity of more than 300.

The public is cordially invited, and all former members are urged to attend.

## Beacon Street Young People To Interview Air Force Panel

Mrs. Ed Durham, director of the Beacon Street, Training Union, Philadelphia, has announced that the second "Get Acquainted" fellowship hour was held at that church, following evening services Sunday night. This activity has been adopted as an effort to assist new church members in getting acquainted with their fellow members and to make them feel more at home in the church. It is a quarterly social affair and is held the first Sunday night of each new quarter.

Invitations went out to some 30 new members who have joined since January 1st. These new members, special guests of the church, were introduced and welcomed individually in the "Welcome" line. Refreshments were served during the program with Mrs. Durham and other Training Union officers assisting the pastor as official church hosts and hostesses. Rev. H. S. Rogers is pastor.